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Weigh-in-Motion install closing Columbia County I-20 lane

WHAT: A statewide Georgia Department of Transportation Weigh-in-Motion scale project will close one Interstate 20 eastbound lane approaching the Columbia County Scales tonight through Saturday afternoon. The contractor will install the scale components starting at 9 p.m. and work through 5 p.m. Saturday.

This is part of a statewide project installing weigh scales in outside interstate lanes approximately 3,000 feet upstream of the existing 19 weigh stations.

The current weigh station system requires motor carriers to exit the interstate, which can cause motor carrier delays. With Weight-in-Motion, weight compliant trucks can continue along the mainline without diverting to the weigh stations.

The project scope also includes a “virtual” component that allows the mainline scales to send information to the nearby weigh station and to Georgia Highway Patrol officers for enforcement purposes.

WHEN: From Friday, Feb. 5 at 9 p.m. until Saturday, Feb. 6 at 5 p.m., weather permitting

WHERE: I-20 eastbound mile 186.5 to 188 approaching the Columbia County scales

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